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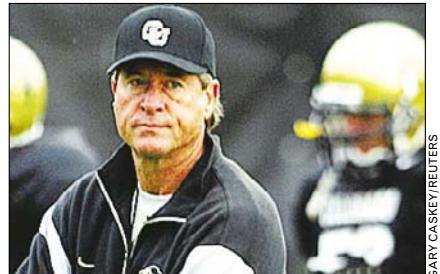
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## Enron Scandal Snare Skilling

Ex-CEO pleads innocent to fraud, insider trading charges

HOUSTON | Former Enron Corp. chief executive Jeffrey Skilling, taken to court in handcuffs Thursday, pleaded innocent to nearly three dozen counts of fraud, insider trading and other crimes in the highest-reaching indictment yet stemming from Enron's colossal collapse.

Skilling, the top-ranking executive arrested so far in the scandal that shook Wall Street and Washington, was accused of aiding wide-

spread schemes to mislead federal regulators and investors about Enron's earnings.

Prosecutors said Skilling, 50, faces up to 325 years in prison and more than \$80 million in fines if convicted on all counts. Skilling was released on \$5 million bond; another court appearance to address trial scheduling is set for March 11.

The indictment names Skilling in 35 counts — 10 of them accuse him of insid-



Skilling

er trading that generated \$62.6 million from stock sold from April 2000 through September 2001, about a month after he quit Enron.

Two years ago, Skilling told Congress that he knew nothing about problems at

the energy firm before he quit, maintaining he thought Enron was financially healthy when he stepped down. KRISTEN HAYS (AP)

HAITI | FROM BAD TO WORSE



DANIEL AGUILAR/REUTERS

**ARMED AND DANGEROUS:** A Haitian rebel stands guard Thursday during a march into the city of Gonaives, which was taken over by an armed gang opposed to President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. ♦ **Instability:** U.S. warns Americans to leave as Aristide vows he'll fight to the end | Page 6

## San Francisco On Offensive Over Marriage

SAN FRANCISCO | The city of San Francisco, which has sanctioned more than 2,800 gay marriages in the last week, sued the state of California on Thursday, challenging its prohibitions on same-sex marriages on constitutional grounds.

Two judges are considering challenges from conservative groups seeking to halt the marriage spree that began Feb. 12. The city's lawsuit asks that those cases be consolidated into one Superior Court case for a decision.

Mayor Gavin Newsom has said that he was obliged to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples to avoid violating the equal protection clause of the California Constitution, a position opponents have attacked as irrelevant to whether his actions violate the state's marriage laws.

"I think what we have done is affirm marriage here in San Francisco," Newsom said.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said San Francisco's same-sex marriage licenses "fail to meet legal standards." He said Attorney General Bill Lockyer "will vigorously defend" against the city's lawsuit. LISA LEFF (AP)

**CRIME | Theft by Chocolate** There may be a burgeoning trend among thieves in Hong Kong. Call it smear-and-snatch. One thief reportedly chewed up chocolate, spit it into his hand, then smeared it onto a businessman as a diversion so accomplices



could steal the victim's money. In a similar case, another man was convicted of stealing \$32,000 from a Hong Kong resident after spraying him with ketchup. The robber was pursued and caught by his victim. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

# EyeOpeners

**ANIMAL WATCH**
**Four-Legged Voters**

Brenda Gould is in trouble again for registering her cows as voters. For the second year running, the woman from Newmarket, England, has listed two names on the registration form who turned out to be cows, the East Cambridgeshire District Council said Thursday. The previous year, in addition to registering two cows as "Henry and Sophie Bull," she listed "Jake Woofles," later found to be a dog, as eligible to vote in local government elections. (AP)

**BUSINESS**  
**Central Perk**

Tired of the same old Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts? A man in Madison, Maine, may have the answer—a topless coffee shop. Normand St. Michel says his plan to employ partially nude waitresses is intended to boost the establishment's chances of success. He says the idea is to do something different to attract coffee drinkers. St. Michel says he also wants to run a clean business in which no alcohol will be sold. (AP)


**THE GREAT BEYOND**  
**Final Frontier**

Taiwan is one of the most densely populated places in the world, and there's not much room for new cemeteries. But a U.S. firm is offering a solution: shooting people's remains into space. Houston-based Celestis Inc. announced Thursday a deal with one of Taiwan's biggest funeral homes, Baushan Enterprise, to provide "space burials" to the Taiwanese. Celestis CEO Robert Tysor, shown with Baushan chairman Liu Tian-cai, left, and the



space receptacles, said a post-mortem blast off "helps one fulfill the instinctive desire to explore space." (AP)

**FESTIVALS**
**Gathering Ghouls**

The Tibetan New Year begins Feb. 21, and many in China have been hard at work scaring ghosts. Dressed in elaborate—and, OK, kind of spooky—costumes, revelers swarmed the Lama Temple in Beijing on Thursday, part of a three-day "ghost beating" ceremony, an effort designed to ensure good luck in the new year. In Tibet itself, shops are selling highland barley, which symbolizes hope for abundant crops in the coming spring, China's Xinhua news agency reported. (EXPRESS)

**ACCIDENTS**  
**Hot Lead**

A couple in Howard, Wis., took cover behind a refrigerator when bullets began exploding in their oven, authorities say. Capt. Craig Kohlbeck of the Brown County Sheriff's Department said the husband had put the ammu-

nition and three handguns in the oven before the couple left on a vacation. They had apparently forgotten about the bullets by the time they returned from their trip Tuesday—the wife turned on the oven to prepare dinner and the bullets ignited, Kohlbeck said. No one was hurt. (AP)



**WHO KNEW?** Lawrence Middle School in Lawrence, N.J., has limited the number of bathroom breaks its 7th and 8th grade students can take during class to 15 per month in an attempt to keep kids from wandering the halls. (AP)

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## In Brief

WASHINGTON

### Treasury Department Blocks Assets of Saudi Charity

The government has ordered banks to freeze the assets of the U.S. arm of a large Saudi charity that is accused of funneling contributions to help finance al Qaeda's terrorist activities. The action announced Thursday affects the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation's operations in Ashland, Ore., and Springfield, Mo. (AP)

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA.

### NASA to Provide Standby Shuttle When Flights Resume

When shuttle launches resume, a second spaceship will be on standby to rescue the astronauts if their craft is damaged in flight, NASA said Thursday. Because of the Columbia disaster one year ago, NASA decided last month that all shuttles from now on will fly to the international space station, so that the astronauts could repair their ships there and await rescue aboard the orbiting outpost if the damage is too grave. (AP)

ATLANTA

### Georgia Educators Vote to Keep Evolution in Curriculum

Georgia's Board of Education on Thursday unanimously adopted a revised state biology curriculum that leaves the word "evolution" in place when teaching science. The board hoped the move would end controversy sparked last month after state Superintendent Kathy Cox called for the word to be replaced by the phrase "biological changes over time" in the curriculum. Cox later reversed her position. (AP)



Cox



ERIC RIEBERG/AP

**TOAST OF THE TOWN:** Janet Thomson, left, and Jamye Ford, second from left, celebrate their new marriage with two friends Thursday outside City Hall in San Francisco. The city has sanctioned 2,800 gay marriages since first allowing them last week.

## Gay Weddings Spark Cheers, Concern

### Across the country, reactions vary to San Francisco ceremonies

San Francisco's defiant choice to perform same-sex marriages by the hundreds is reverberating nationwide as gay-rights groups celebrate, their adversaries hope for a backlash and politicians wrestle with how to respond.

Some city mayors spoke favorably of the weddings, but many politicians are unsettled by the spectacle of more than 2,800 gay and lesbian couples wed over the past week at San Francisco's City Hall.

Some conservative groups felt both Bush and California's Republican governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger, were being too timid.

"A real terminator would end the anarchy by enforcing the law he swore an oath to uphold," said Jan LaRue, chief counsel for Concerned Women for America, in reference to Schwarzenegger — who asked city officials to stop the marriages. There were no immediate reports of other elected officials emulating Newsom by authorizing same-sex marriages, but a handful of mayors made supportive comments.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley said he would have "no problem"

with Cook County issuing same-sex marriage licenses. Regarding gay couples, Daley said, "They love each other just as much as anyone else."

In Pittsburgh, N.Y., openly gay mayor Daniel Stewart said he supports same-sex marriage even though many of his fellow Republicans differ.

In New York City, a spokesman for Mayor Michael Bloomberg said that, though a supporter of gay rights, the mayor had no intention of following Newsom's path.

"The mayor does not believe in subverting the law to make a political point," spokesman Ed Skyler said. DAVID CRARY (AP)

## Court to Hear Roe v. Wade Challenge

DALLAS | A federal appeals court has agreed to hear a request from the woman formerly known as "Jane Roe" to reconsider the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade that legalized abortion.

Norma McCorvey, who joined with anti-abortion activists nearly 10 years ago, is seeking to have the decision overturned, citing what she says is more than 30 years of evidence that abortions are psychologically harmful to women.

A federal district judge threw out her initial request in June, saying it was not made within a reasonable time. But the New Orleans-based

5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has agreed to hear McCorvey's arguments March 2.

Dallas County District Attorney Bill Hill, whose predecessor, Henry Wade, was named in the original lawsuit, has not filed a response to McCorvey's appeal. That may put the appeals court in the unusual position of hearing arguments from only one side.

More than 20 Texas law school professors concerned about an unbalanced hearing filed a brief Wednesday asking to be allowed to argue the other side of the case. (AP)



**BY THE NUMBERS:** President Bush's job-approval rating dropped to 48%, the first time in his presidency it's fallen below 50%, according to a poll released Thursday by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press. (AP)

## AFL-CIO Endorses Kerry Bid

Union plans massive effort to support Mass. Democrat's campaign

WASHINGTON | Democratic front-runner John Kerry earned the endorsement of the AFL-CIO Thursday, with the head of organized labor saying "the time has come to unite behind one man, one leader, one candidate."

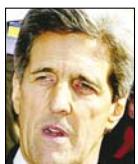
Amid chants of "Kerry! Kerry!", the Massachusetts senator welcomed the support of a formidable ally as he tries to blunt rival John Edwards's challenges to his position on trade.

AFL-CIO President John Sweeney called Kerry a friend of the working man as he urged labor to stand with one candidate. The AFL-CIO, comprised of 64 unions representing more than 13 million U.S. workers, is planning an unprecedented effort to mobilize their members to vote for Kerry.

The AFL-CIO endorsement comes as Edwards begins a tour of states that have lost manufacturing jobs. He continued his criticism of Kerry for voting for the 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement that many workers blame for job losses.

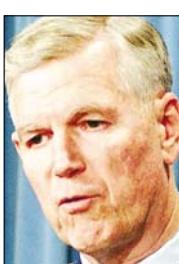
But Kerry said he and Edwards have the same policy on trade. Both voted for normalized trade relations with China and both want to see labor and environmental standards addressed in trade pacts, he said.

NEDRA PICKLER (AP)



Kerry

### HEARSAY | HOMECOMING DAY?



"I really do believe it's unknowable. If I gave a good professional estimate, then that would be a standard that people would point to ..."

— GEN. RICHARD MYERS, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF SAYING THURSDAY HE COULD NOT ESTIMATE HOW LONG U.S. TROOPS WOULD HAVE TO STAY IN IRAQ TO ENSURE THE COUNTRY'S STABILITY.

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## Nation

# State Finances Improving

Governments come billions closer to balancing their books

While parts of the country remain financially vulnerable, a new report says states are seeing an overall turn for the better, with troubling shortfalls shrinking to a tenth of the size of last year's budget gaps.

In total, the states finished the second quarter of the 2003-04 fiscal year \$2.5 billion in the red, compared to \$25.7 billion a year ago, the National Conference of State Legislatures said in a report

released Thursday. Other signs of improvement included 30 states projecting budget surpluses this year, and revenues on target or better in nearly three of four.

Still, while the short-term news may be encouraging, experts and analysts warned that there are worrying signs for the years to come.

One-time money-raising avenues and federal help for most states were exhausted fighting through the economic downturn, and neglected problems now must be addressed — from replacing school buses to raising state workers' pay. Meanwhile, health care costs keep rising, said

Corina Eckl, senior fiscal analyst at NCSL.

The NCSL, representing state lawmakers across the country, conducted a midyear survey of finances in 46 states; for most, the fiscal year begins in July.

Much of the improvement this year can be attributed to hard choices made in the past two or three years, whether cuts, borrowing or tax increases. States overall raised a \$20 billion in higher taxes over the past two years and the federal government's \$20 billion bailout last year won't be repeated.

ROBERT TANNER (AP)

NIGHTCLUB FIRE | MOMENT OF REFLECTION



ONE YEAR LATER: A woman attaches a message to a cross Thursday while surrounded by memorials at the site of the Station Nightclub fire in West Warwick, R.I. Friday is the first anniversary of the fire that was sparked by a rock band's pyrotechnics, burning the club to the ground and killing 100 people.

## Do-Not-Call List Effective, Poll Finds

WASHINGTON | The government's do-not-call registry is a resounding success, according to an Associated Press poll that found three-quarters of the people who signed up reported fewer telemarketing calls.

More than 57 million phone numbers have been placed on the do-not-call list since it was estab-

lished in October, according to the Federal Trade Commission.

Among those surveyed who had signed up for the do-not-call list, 74 percent said telemarketing calls have decreased, with many saying the drop is significant.

People can register numbers at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov). (AP)

## L.A. E-Mails Warnings On STDs

ATLANTA | Fighting fire with fire, public health officials are using e-mail to try to stop the spread of sexually transmitted diseases among people who meet through Internet chat rooms and Web sites.

In a pilot program in Los Angeles County, health officials use e-mail and the Internet to notify the sex partners of people who had been diagnosed with STDs.

San Francisco's Health Department is believed to be the only other agency to use e-mail in this way, said Dr. Pragna Patel of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which released a case study Thursday on the Los Angeles County project.

Tracking STD cases among people who have met in chat rooms is difficult because people often take part anonymously. Health officials often do not have names, addresses or other information to work with.

In Los Angeles, the need to curb STDs is crucial: The county recently reported its first increase in new AIDS cases in a decade.

The number of cases rose a half-percent from 1,555 to 1,562 between 2001 and 2002, according to preliminary figures from the county Department of Health Services. (AP)

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# World

## U.S. Stands By June 30 Handover

**U.N. agrees Iraqi elections not feasible before power transfer**

**BAGHDAD, IRAQ** | U.S. administrator L. Paul Bremer insisted Thursday that the United States will hand power to Iraqis by June 30 and won support from the United Nations for moving ahead without immediate elections.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan backed Washington's claims that a direct vote before the June 30 deadline is impossible. But he did not offer alternatives to help resolve the debate on how to transfer sovereignty among Americans, Iraq's Governing Council and powerful Shiite Muslim clerics, who derailed U.S. plans by demanding a direct vote.

Iraqi leaders have largely turned against the original American plan to use regional caucuses as the basis for the new government. The Bush administration hopes Annan will now endorse an alternative that would expand the Governing Council and hand it power to rule until elections, a U.S. official said.

Expanding the council could make it more broadly representative, but Shiites have said any expansion must respect the current alignment of power. Shiites now hold 13 of the 25 council seats. (AP)

## Haiti Efforts Ramped Up

**Americans urged to leave country wracked by violent rebellion**

**PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI** | President Jean-Bertrand Aristide declared Thursday he is ready to die to defend his country against a bloody rebellion, indicating he plans to cling to power. The U.S. government, citing continued violence in the Caribbean country, urged Americans to leave.

More than 20,000 Americans

are registered with the U.S. Embassy in Haiti. Meanwhile, the Pentagon said it was sending a three- or four-person military team to assess the security of the U.S. Embassy there.

Aristide's defiance and Washington's warning came as the United States and other countries were preparing a political plan to resolve the crisis. Secretary of



State Colin Powell said the plan would be presented to Haitian government and opposition leaders as early as Thursday.

The uprising, which began Feb. 5, is led by a gang that says it was armed by Aristide to terrorize his opponents. Its members turned on Aristide after gang leader Amiot Metayer was killed, saying he was silenced to stop him spreading damaging information about Aristide. Aristide denies any connection to the gang. MICHAEL NORTON (AP)

### GERMANY | CARNIVAL



MICHAELA REIF/REUTERS

**FESTIVE FACES:** Women in masks march at a street carnival in Dietfurt on Thursday, the first of five days of pre-Lenten festivals leading up to the lavish Rose Monday processions before Ash Wednesday next week.

## Turkish, Greek Cypriots Open Talks

**Looming EU deadline puts pressure on both sides to resolve issues**

**NICOSIA, CYPRUS** | Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders held a dramatic meeting Thursday, opening talks seen as the best chance in decades to reunify this Mediterranean island divided by war.

Cyprus has been split into a Greek Cypriot south and a Turkish occupied north since Turkey invaded in 1974 after a coup by supporters of union with Greece. A breakaway Turkish Cypriot state in the north

is recognized only by Turkey, which has 40,000 troops there.

Greek Cypriot President Tassos Papadopoulos and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash indicated they staked out tough positions as they began negotiating. But they are both under a strict U.N. timetable and face intense European Union pressure to reunite the island before it enters the EU on May 1.

If the island remains divided, EU laws will apply only in its internationally recognized south — and Turkish troops in the north could be considered to be occupying EU land. LOUIS MEIXLER (AP)

### TIMETABLE

**If necessary, the talks that opened in Nicosia on Thursday will go until March 22. From there:**

- **March 22:** If no agreement is reached, Turkey and Greece will be called in to help.
- **March 29:** U.N. would submit its own plan or fill in blanks on unresolved issues.
- **April 21:** Each side will hold referendums on the new accord.
- **May 1:** Cyprus will enter the European Union. If no deal has been approved, EU laws/benefits apply only to Greek Cypriot side.

## Polio Upsurge Tied To Fears of Plot

**DAKAR, SENEGAL** | The World Health Organization will launch a massive immunization campaign Monday targeting 63 million children in 10 African countries.

Meanwhile, Islamic leaders in the heart of the Nigerian outbreak say they will uphold their ban on the polio vaccine, calling it part of a U.S. plot to spread infertility or AIDS among Muslims.

Health workers say the 5-month-old ban has spread the crippling disease back into seven African countries where it had been eradicated. (AP)

## In Brief



A woman walks past a sign in Tehran Thursday reminding citizens to vote. JOHN MOORE/AP

### IRAN

#### Newspapers Shuttered On Eve of Disputed Elections

The last major pro-reform newspapers in Iran's capital were padlocked shut by conservatives Thursday on the eve of widely denounced elections that are expected to give hardliners control in parliament. The ruling theocracy has barred more than 2,400 candidates who sought greater political openness — effectively sending the 290-seat parliament back under the wing of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and the powerful clerical ranks. (AP)

### AUSTRIA

#### Judge Acquits 16 Charged In Deadly Cable-Car Inferno

A judge on Thursday acquitted all 16 suspects in a November 2000 alpine cable-car fire that killed 155 people. Judge Manfred Seiss ruled there was insufficient evidence to find the defendants — including cable car company officials and government inspectors — responsible for conditions that allowed a faulty heater to ignite. (AP)

### THE VATICAN

#### Report on Pedophilia to Be Published, Official Says

The Vatican is completing a report drawing heavily on scientific research on pedophilia as it grapples with sexual abuse scandals, a Vatican official said Thursday. The report, which grew out of a four-day symposium on pedophilia that was held behind closed doors in April, is expected to be published in the next few weeks, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity. (AP)

# World

## Find Raises Questions About Iran

Newly discovered equipment could enrich uranium for weapons

VIENNA, AUSTRIA | U.N. inspectors probing Iran's nuclear program have found equipment that can enrich uranium for weapons use and is far more advanced than anything Tehran has previously acknowledged, diplomats said Thursday.

The find of the advanced centrifuge system is the second piece of evidence uncovered this month that casts doubt on Iran's commitment to prove it does not want atomic weapons.

Under international pressure last year, Iran pledged to cooperate fully with the International Atomic Energy Agency in efforts to prove it was not interested in nuclear weapons. It has insisted its intentions are peaceful and that its centrifuges are to process uranium for nuclear power, not warheads.

"A country with the vast oil and gas resources of Iran has no legitimate need for nuclear energy," White House spokesman Scott McClellan told reporters on Thursday. GEORGE JAHN (AP)

### HEARSAY | RUSSIA

"We have proven that it's possible to develop weapons that would make any missile defense useless."

—COL.-GEN. YURI BALUYEVSKY  
ON RUSSIA'S SUCCESSFUL TEST THIS WEEK OF A PROTOTYPE FOR SPACE WEAPONS.

## 5 Britons at Guantanamo to Go Home

LONDON | Five of the nine Britons being held in the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, will be sent home within a few weeks, and could be arrested by British authorities upon return, Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said Thursday.

Negotiations about the British detainees have ground along for

## Sharon Tries to Ease U.S. Worries

Israeli leader vows to coordinate unilateral moves with the U.S.

JERUSALEM | Israel will coordinate its unilateral steps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip with the United States, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said Thursday, after briefing senior U.S. envoys on his "disengagement plan."

Sharon has said he would remove up to 17 of 21 settlements in Gaza and several more in the West Bank if there is no progress in implementing the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan, which envisions a Palestinian state by 2005.

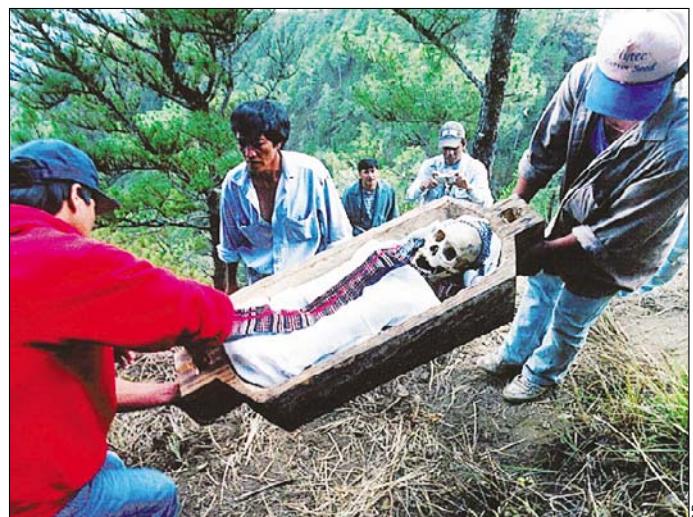
Palestinian officials have said they welcome any dismantling of

settlements, but suspect Israel is avoiding negotiations to try to keep large parts of the West Bank.

Addressing U.S. concerns, Sharon said he does not believe Israel would undermine the road map by redeploying troops and imposing a boundary on the Palestinians in the West Bank.

The U.S. envoys who met with Sharon on Thursday included Assistant Secretary of State William Burns and Stephen Hadley, deputy director of the National Security Council. It is the highest-level U.S. delegation since Secretary of State Colin Powell's June visit. MARK LAVIE (AP)

### PHILIPPINES | RETURN OF THE DEAD



**HANDLED WITH CARE:** Tribesmen carry one of eight mummies they recovered and will return to burial caves in Benguet province in the Philippines, one of the few countries in the world where mummification was once practiced. About 50 mummies were stolen from their burial caves in the 1960s.

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There are 660 alleged al Qaeda and Taliban fighters captured after Sept. 11 in Afghanistan and elsewhere who are being held at the maximum-security camp.

The U.S. Supreme Court will decide this year whether the Guantanamo detainees can be held indefinitely without lawyers and hearings. ED JOHNSON (AP)



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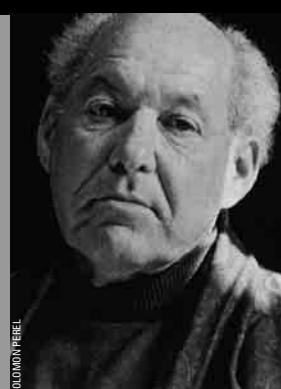
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## Local

# Fare Hike Plan Ready for Public

**WASHINGTON** | The Metro Board moved Thursday toward a series of fare hikes and parking increases that one board member described as a "smorgasbord of pain."

Board members voted to hold public hearings March 15-25 on the increases, which could begin this summer. Passengers also will be able weigh in on plans to expand advertising in the system.

Among the increases in the \$35 million fare proposal, base rail and local bus fares would rise by a maximum of 15 cents to \$1.35, and the highest rush-hour subway fare could climb to as much as \$4.05.

"We're taking out a smorgasbord of pain" to the public, said Dana Kauffman, board vice chairman, who represents Fairfax County, Va.

The projected shortfall for fiscal year 2005 shrunk from \$36 million to \$28 million after the board voted to increase the subsidy Virginia, Maryland and the District pay the transit agency. Board members said the increases and service cuts would generate more than needed, but they want options as final spending decisions are made. CANDACE SMITH (AP)

**Picking up speed:** For more on Metro's proposed fare changes for bus and rail | Today's Post: Metro section.



**BY THE NUMBERS:** A tip line received 75 calls in one day after officials released a new sketch of the area's suspected arsonist Wednesday — 50 percent more than the previous image, which was computer-generated. (AP)

## Attempts to Dilute Tax Bill Rejected

**RICHMOND, VA.** | The Senate rejected five efforts Thursday by conservatives to dilute a \$3.7 billion tax increase measure during a contentious floor session.

Democrats joined with centrist Republicans to preserve the Senate

Finance Committee version of Sen. John Chichester's omnibus tax bill, positioning it for final passage Friday to become the basis for a Senate budget plan due for release on Sunday.

Senators also advanced a bill by Chichester, R-Stafford, chairman of

the Finance Committee, that would increase the 2.5-cent tax on a pack of cigarettes, the nation's lowest, to 35 cents over two years.

Among the proposals brushed aside were two that would have delayed all or part of the tax increase, subject to voter approval in a state-wide referendum. BOB LEWIS (AP)

## The Lotteries

### February 19

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|                       |                        |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Mid-day Lucky Numbers | <b>0-9-6 (white)</b>   |
| Evening Lucky Numbers | <b>5-2-9 (white)</b>   |
| Mid-day DC 4          | <b>6-9-3-8</b>         |
| Evening DC 4          | <b>6-0-7-7</b>         |
| Quick Cash            | <b>32-29-2-24-38-4</b> |
| Hot Five              | <b>13-1-5-22-7</b>     |

#### MARYLAND

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Mid-day Pick 3 | <b>5-4-1</b>   |
| Evening Pick 3 | <b>3-5-0</b>   |
| Mid-day Pick 4 | <b>1-1-0-6</b> |
| Evening Pick 4 | <b>9-1-8-2</b> |

**Match 5** **14-17-19-20-39 Bonus: 2**  
**Lotto (Wed.)** **7-12-15-33-35-45**

#### VIRGINIA

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.) | <b>1-7-1</b>            |
| Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)   | <b>4-0-5</b>            |
| Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.) | <b>5-3-1-6</b>          |
| Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)   | <b>3-1-6-5</b>          |
| Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.) | <b>7-9-10-18-32</b>     |
| Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)   | <b>5-9-18-25-33</b>     |
| Lotto South (Wed.)      | <b>1-16-20-25-26-39</b> |

#### MULTI-STATE GAMES

**Powerball (Wed.)** **4-24-36-44-50 (2)**  
**Power Play** **4**

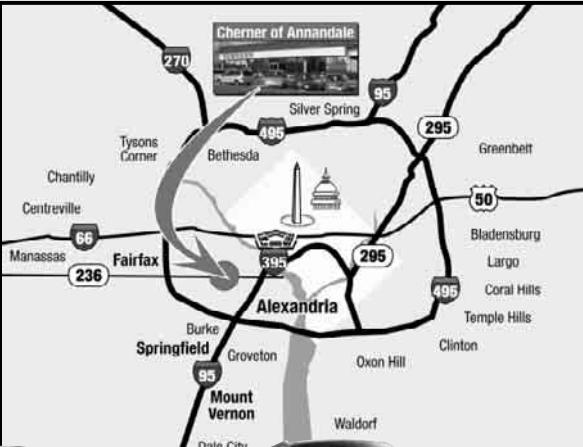
All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

## Gov. to Fight Slots At Ocean Downs

**ANNAPOLIS, MD.** | Republican Gov. Robert Ehrlich said Thursday he is not willing to accept a proposal by Senate leaders to allow 1,000 slots machines to be installed at Ocean Downs race-track in Worcester County.

A Senate committee is scheduled to vote Tuesday on changes to Ehrlich's bill, including authorizing slots at Ocean Downs and reducing from 10,500 to 7,500 the number of slot machines set aside for Laurel, Pimlico and Rosecroft racetracks. (AP)

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## In Brief

### FOOD AND BEVERAGE

#### Coca-Cola CEO Daft Says He's Leaving at Year's End

Coca-Cola Co. chairman and chief executive Doug Daft said Thursday he plans to retire at the end of 2004, a surprise announcement that caps a year of layoffs, management changes and legal turmoil at the world's

largest beverage maker. Daft, 60, did not elaborate on his decision in a statement issued by the company and did not make himself available for further comment. Atlanta-based Coke faces an ongoing criminal investigation into fraud allegations raised in a whistleblower lawsuit. The Securities and Exchange Commission also is investigating. Daft did not say if that issue figured in his decision. (AP)

### PUBLISHING

#### Founder of Qwest to Buy San Francisco Examiner

Billionaire investor and Qwest Communications founder Phil Anschutz is buying the once-mighty San Francisco Examiner from the Fang family, the parties announced Thursday. Anschutz reportedly will pay \$20 million, becoming the fourth owner of the paper made famous by William Randolph Hearst. (AP)

## Market Action

### New York Stock Exchange

#### Gainers

| STOCK      | LAST  | DAILY CHANGE | DAILY PERCENT CHANGE |
|------------|-------|--------------|----------------------|
| KingPhrm   | 19.25 | +2.39        | +14.2                |
| ChmpE      | 10.30 | +1.20        | +13.2                |
| Skechers   | 11.90 | +1.16        | +10.8                |
| DeltaW h   | 2.65  | .18          | +7.3                 |
| Titan Intl | 5.23  | .35          | +7.2                 |

#### Losers

| STOCK    | LAST  | DAILY CHANGE | DAILY PERCENT CHANGE |
|----------|-------|--------------|----------------------|
| BarryG h | 2.30  | -.41         | -15.1                |
| SP Labs  | 12.55 | -2.02        | -13.9                |
| Mastec   | 11.16 | -.153        | -12.1                |
| LandAmer | 47.32 | -.603        | -11.3                |
| Milacron | 2.80  | -.34         | -10.8                |

#### Rates

|                 | CURRENT | PREVIOUS WEEK |
|-----------------|---------|---------------|
| Prime Rate      | 4.00    | 4.00          |
| Fed Funds close | 1.00    | 1.00          |
| 3-month         | 0.92    | 0.90          |
| 2-year          | 1.65    | 1.70          |
| 10-year         | 4.03    | 4.05          |
| 30-year         | 4.90    | 4.93          |

### NASDAQ Stock Market

#### Gainers

| STOCK      | LAST  | DAILY CHANGE | DAILY PERCENT CHANGE |
|------------|-------|--------------|----------------------|
| NeoMgic    | 4.95  | +.90         | +22.2                |
| CreatHstSv | 3.36  | +.59         | +21.3                |
| CybOpt     | 16.13 | +.34         | +17.0                |
| Novatel    | 18.05 | +.59         | +16.8                |
| DuraSwt    | 2.42  | +.32         | +15.2                |

#### Losers

| STOCK     | LAST | DAILY CHANGE | DAILY PERCENT CHANGE |
|-----------|------|--------------|----------------------|
| Sobieski  | 8.83 | -.34         | -28.2                |
| Camtek    | 6.18 | -.07         | -14.8                |
| Versant   | 2.16 | -.34         | -13.6                |
| AnlySur   | 2.76 | -.43         | -13.5                |
| SportsRst | 4.03 | -.62         | -13.3                |

#### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

|                  | TODAY   | PREVIOUS DAY | YEAR AGO |
|------------------|---------|--------------|----------|
| British Pound    | .5279   | .5297        | .6260    |
| Canadian Dollar  | 1.3280  | 1.3253       | 1.5121   |
| European Euro    | .7878   | .7870        | .9292    |
| Japanese Yen     | 107.22  | 106.72       | 118.60   |
| Mexican Peso     | 10.9500 | 10.9800      | 10.8400  |
| Taiwanese Dollar | 33.18   | 33.10        | 34.80    |

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# Friend: Stewart Knew of CEO's Sale

Women talked about ImClone stock sell-off on vacation in Mexico

NEW YORK | Three days after dumping her ImClone Systems stock, Martha Stewart told a longtime friend that she knew ImClone's CEO had tried to sell his own shares, the friend testified Thursday.

The testimony by Mariana Pasternak was perhaps the most damaging yet to Stewart, who told investigators she had no memory of being tipped about CEO Sam Waksal's shares sell-off.

During their conversation in Mexico, Pasternak said Stewart recalled Waksal "was selling or trying to sell his stock." She said Stewart added: "Isn't it nice to have brokers who tell you those



Stewart

**# BY THE NUMBERS:** The Bush administration predicted Thursday that a record number of taxpayers can expect a refund this year, and that the average tax refund check will be \$300 bigger than last year. The refunds come at a price, however: more complicated tax forms. The IRS has already detected errors on more than 750,000 returns claiming the newly increased child tax credit. (AP)

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— YANKEES' GEORGE STEINBRENNER  
ON TRADING FOR ALEX RODRIGUEZ

## The Storm Center of

A kicker, a coach and a football program plagued by scandal

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL** | Nobel laureate Carl Wieman opened the newspaper and thought, "Not again."

The University of Colorado's athletes were back in the news — and not just on the sports page.

For three weeks, professors, students and residents have been hit with a barrage of accusations against Colorado's football program, including rapes and alcohol-fueled sex parties for recruits.

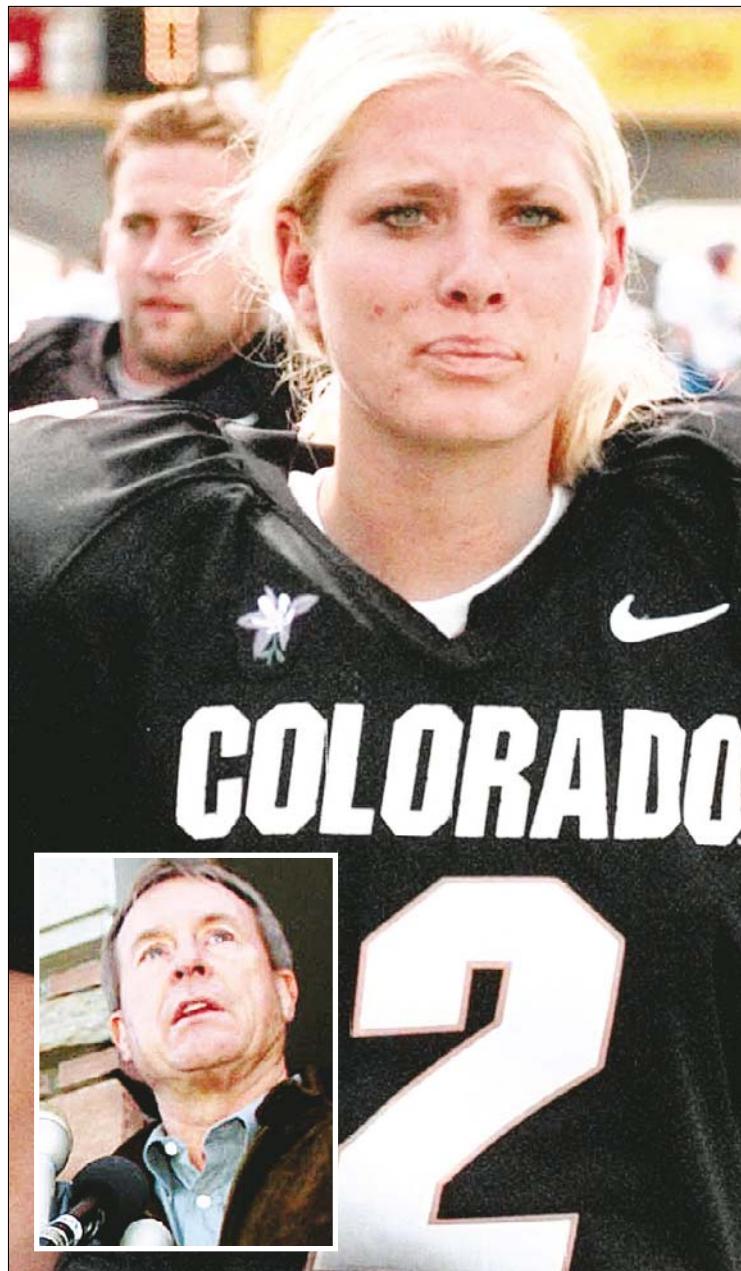
Wieman, a physics professor, said the furor over the football team has taken the focus away from more pressing issues, such as the state's vulnerable higher education budget.

"Out of that program, we regularly have issues that embarrass the university," Wieman said.

While proud of its academics, the school has caused embarrassment for Boulder over the years. In 2000, raucous off-campus parties turned into student riots. Princeton Review recently declared Colorado the No. 1 party school, based on its students' lack of studying and affinity for marijuana and alcohol.

And its football team has a long history of scandal: In 1962, questions over whether recruits were paid to attend cost a coach his job. A Sports Illustrated cover story in the 1980s documented how players were accused of everything from drunken driving to serial rape.

The latest scandal appears to be the worst yet, and its roots date at

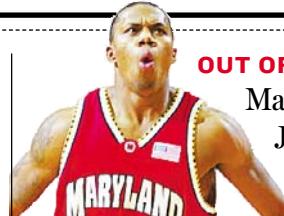


**KICKED WHERE IT HURTS:** Former kicker Katie Hnida's charge that she was raped by a University of Colorado football teammate rocked a program already mired in scandal. Coach Gary Barnett is now on paid leave as allegations are investigated.



### STRAIGHT SHOOTER

Duke's J.J. Redick has made 97 percent of his free throws and 43 percent of his three-pointers this year, averaging 17.3 points a game. Can Maryland stop him on Sunday?



### OUT OF HIS SHELL

Maryland is counting heavily on sophomore John Gilchrist, averaging 14.5 points and five assists per game (up from 4.6 points and 1.7 assists per game last season).

least to 1997, when a 17-year-old high school student accused a football player of rape after a recruiting party.

No charges were filed, but three women have since sued the school, saying it fostered an environment that led to their rapes by football players or recruits at or just after an off-campus party in 2001.

Boulder County prosecutor Mary Keenan decided against assault charges, but said she believes the athletics program entices recruits with sex and alcohol.

On Tuesday, former kicker Katie Hnida dropped a bombshell, alleging she was raped by a teammate at Colorado four years ago. While university officials urged Hnida, 22, to tell her story to police, coach Gary Barnett said he knew of no one who could back up her claim.

Asked why she left Colorado after the 1999 season, he said: "Katie was not only a girl, she was terrible. ... There's no other way to say it."

University President Elizabeth Hoffman, dismayed by the coach's remarks, placed him on paid leave Wednesday while allegations against the program are investigated.

Barnett said he disagreed with Hoffman's decision but accepted it, calling himself "a team player." He apologized for his comments about Hnida, but said they had been taken out of context.

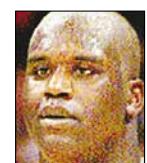
And the allegations have not stopped. Police said Thursday they are investigating whether a woman was raped by a Colorado football player after leaving a bar in 2002 — the seventh allegation of its kind to surface since 1997.

Meanwhile, a half-dozen former University of Colorado players defended their suspended coach, crediting him with instilling discipline and morality.

"We believe coach Barnett is a man of high moral integrity," former quarterback Charles Johnson said. "We believe he is doing the right things. A balanced story is not being told." (AP)

## TV Lineup

→ **SHELL GAME:** The Maryland Terrapins look to avenge their home loss to Duke when visiting the No. 3 Blue Devils on Sunday in an ACC contest (4 p.m. on CBS).



O'Neil

→ **SHAQ-FU:** Shaquille O'Neal and the L.A. Lakers play in front of a national TV audience twice this weekend. First the Lakers host the Philadelphia 76ers Friday (10:30 p.m. on ESPN) and then visit the Phoenix Suns on Sunday (7 p.m. on ESPN).

→ **REUNION TOUR:** Tiger Woods returns to the first professional tournament he played in: The Nissan Open in Pacific Palisades, Calif., which concludes Sunday (3:30 p.m. on ABC).

→ **PIT STOP:** NASCAR's drivers head to Rockingham, N.C., on Sunday (1 p.m. on Fox) for the Subway 400, the first Nextel Cup race since Dale Earnhardt Jr. won the Daytona 500.

→ **HOOP IT UP:** The Wizards take on the Indiana Pacers Friday (7 p.m. on Comcast) and face the Milwaukee Bucks Sunday (6 p.m. on NewsChannel 8).



Washington's Olaf Kolzig will be in net as the Caps face the Panthers.

→ **CAPITAL EVENT:** Goaltender Olaf Kolzig leads the Capitals against division rival Florida Panthers on Saturday (7 p.m. on WB50).

→ **ORANGE CRUSH:** Georgetown hosts the defending national champion Syracuse Orangemen Saturday (Noon on ESPN).

# SportsWeekend



**LOVE, HATE:** Tiger Woods has a chance for his first-ever win at Riviera.

LENNY IGNELZI/AP

## (Not at) Home on The Range

Woods returns to a favorite, but unlucky, course

**GOLF** | The Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, Calif., is one of Tiger Woods's favorite stops on the PGA Tour. But it's hard to tell by looking at his record.

Woods has won all four majors, the Players Championship and Tour Championship, all the World Golf Championships, and tournaments run by Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Byron Nelson.

The Nissan Open's might be the most important trophy he hasn't held. It's played about 40 miles from where he grew up and was the first PGA Tour event he watched. And it's the only place Woods has played at least five times without winning.

"It's one of my favorites by far," Woods said. "I've had my chances there to win, and I just haven't been able to do it. Who knows? This could be the week."

Woods gets another crack at Riviera this week against a field that includes defending champion Mike Weir, Vijay Singh and John Daly, fresh off his first PGA Tour victory in nine years.

While Woods grew up in Cypress, he didn't exactly hop over to Riviera on the weekends. The club is private and exclusive, and Woods can recall playing there only about a dozen times as a teenager.

He said he was 11 or 12 when he played there the first time, but he doesn't remember his score.

Woods made his PGA Tour debut at Riviera in 1992 at age 16 when the Nissan Open gave him a sponsor's

exemption. He had rounds of 72-75 and missed the cut by six shots.

Like Woods, some of golf's other great players have one trophy missing from their mantles.

Palmer never won the PGA Championship in 37 tries. Tom Watson was 0-for-31 in the PGA, while Sam Snead played the U.S. Open 31 times without winning.

Those, however, are majors, the most difficult to win.

Among regular PGA Tour events, Woods hopes he's not heading down the same path as Nicklaus in the Canadian Open. Nicklaus played it 25 times without winning.

Woods had one stretch four years ago when he won or finished second in 10 out of 11 tournaments. The exception, of course, was Riviera. He tied for 18th. DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

### TIGER THE CONQUEROR

How Woods stacks up against the record books

- **Most Major Championships won:** Jack Nicklaus with 18. Woods has won 11.
- **Most PGA Tour wins:** Sam Snead with 82. Woods has 39.
- **Most Consecutive PGA Tour wins:** Byron Nelson with 11. Woods has 6.
- **Most PGA Tour wins in one year:** Byron Nelson with 18 in 1945. Woods had 8 in 1999.
- **Most wins before 25th birthday:** Woods with 24. Horton Smith had 17.

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## SportsWeekend

# The Unbeatens

Stanford, St. Joseph's work to maintain their winning ways

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL** | Stanford and Saint Joseph's have little in common, but there is this: They are the only unbeaten schools left in Division I.

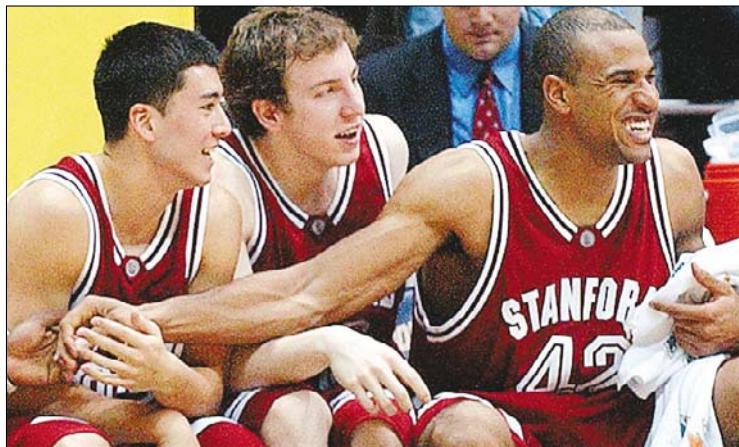
It's been 25 years since two men's basketball teams entered the post-season without a loss, and the No. 1 Cardinal and No. 2 Hawks could be headed that way.

Now the real pressure sets in.

"We're going to be really zeroed in on how we're approaching the game and how we play the game. We have to anticipate the atmosphere will be over the top, but we've dealt with that," Saint Joseph's coach Phil Martelli said.

The schools from opposite coasts take different approaches as they try to quiet skeptics and make history.

Stanford (21-0) boasts a balanced offense featuring five double-figure scorers. It is led by a physical front-



**THE STREAK SURVIVES:** Stanford high scorer Rob Little, right, celebrates with teammates in the final seconds of a winning game against California on Saturday.

line that out-rebounds opponents by almost eight a game and makes 74 percent of its free throws.

Saint Joseph's (23-0) gets nearly half of its points from its stellar backcourt led by Jameer Nelson, who averages 20.2 points. The Hawks are outmuscled by more than three rebounds a game, and make 71 percent of their free throws.

The last time two schools were unbeaten heading into the post-season was 1978-79, when Larry Bird's Indiana State and Alcorn State did it.

No one has gone all the way to an NCAA title without a loss since Bob Knight coached Indiana to a 32-0 mark and the 1976 championship. JIM O'CONNELL (AP)

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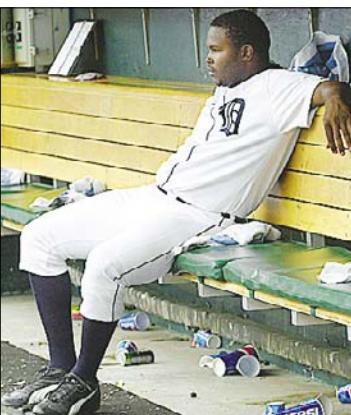
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Tigers pitcher Franklyn German reflects in the dugout after a loss in August.

manager Dave Dombrowski to go after the best players available.

Detroit needed a star willing to take Ilitch's money, and it found one: catcher Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez. The 10-time All-Star and Gold Glove winner agreed to a \$40 million, four-year deal to go from winning the World Series with Florida to playing for baseball's losingest team over the past 10 years.

It's unlikely the Tigers will have a turnaround good enough to produce their first winning season since 1993. But at least they might not suffer through a third straight 100-loss season. LARRY LAGE (AP)

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# SportsWeekend

## Redskins Keep Bailey, Prepare for Cost Cuts

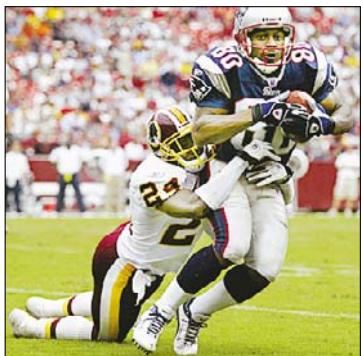
**WASHINGTON** | Four-time Pro Bowl cornerback Champ Bailey, who has been given permission to seek a trade, was designated as a franchise player Wednesday by the Washington Redskins.

The Redskins had until Feb. 24 to make the move, but it became inevitable after contract talks reached a stalemate last week.

The franchise tag keeps Bailey from becoming a free agent when his contract expires next month, but it also means the Redskins have to make him a one-year, \$6.8 million tender — the average of the top five players at his position.

That puts the Redskins slightly over the NFL's salary cap. They have to get under the cap by March 3.

Bailey is one of the team's most popular players, but contract talks



Champ Bailey pulls down the Patriots' Troy Brown during a game in September.

have made virtually no progress.

Bailey's agent, Jack Reale, began talking with other teams last week, including Detroit, where Bailey's younger brother, Boss, is coming off a strong season as a rookie linebacker. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

| ATLANTIC     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | L10  | CONF. |
|--------------|----|----|------|------|------|-------|
| New Jersey   | 32 | 20 | .615 | —    | 10-0 | 23-10 |
| New York     | 26 | 29 | .473 | 7.5  | 6-4  | 19-15 |
| Boston       | 23 | 32 | .418 | 10.5 | 1-9  | 14-23 |
| Miami        | 23 | 32 | .418 | 10.5 | 4-6  | 15-17 |
| Philadelphia | 22 | 32 | .407 | II   | 3-7  | 17-18 |
| Washington   | 16 | 36 | .308 | 16   | 3-7  | 9-24  |
| Orlando      | 14 | 42 | .250 | 20   | 2-8  | II-26 |

| CENTRAL     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | L10 | CONF. |
|-------------|----|----|------|------|-----|-------|
| Indiana     | 39 | 15 | .722 | —    | 6-4 | 27-9  |
| Detroit     | 34 | 22 | .607 | 6    | 4-6 | 23-14 |
| New Orleans | 30 | 24 | .556 | 9    | 5-5 | 22-15 |
| Milwaukee   | 28 | 25 | .528 | 10.5 | 4-6 | 22-13 |
| Toronto     | 25 | 28 | .472 | 13.5 | 4-6 | 15-16 |
| Cleveland   | 20 | 34 | .370 | 19   | 4-6 | 15-19 |
| Atlanta     | 18 | 36 | .333 | 21   | 5-5 | II-21 |
| Chicago     | 16 | 38 | .296 | 23   | 3-7 | 14-17 |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

| MIDWEST     | W  | L  | PCT. | GB  | L10 | CONF. |
|-------------|----|----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Minnesota   | 38 | 15 | .717 | —   | 7-3 | 18-II |
| San Antonio | 36 | 18 | .667 | 2.5 | 7-3 | II-11 |
| Dallas      | 34 | 20 | .630 | 4.5 | 6-4 | 19-13 |
| Memphis     | 31 | 22 | .585 | 7   | 6-4 | 18-15 |
| Houston     | 31 | 22 | .585 | 7   | 5-5 | II-16 |
| Denver      | 32 | 23 | .582 | 7   | 6-4 | 21-15 |
| Utah        | 26 | 29 | .473 | 13  | 3-7 | 15-19 |

| PACIFIC       | W  | L  | PCT. | GB   | L10 | CONF. |
|---------------|----|----|------|------|-----|-------|
| Sacramento    | 38 | 13 | .745 | —    | 8-2 | 22-II |
| L.A. Lakers   | 33 | 19 | .635 | 5.5  | 6-4 | II-15 |
| Seattle       | 25 | 27 | .481 | 13.5 | 3-7 | 16-15 |
| Portland      | 25 | 28 | .472 | 14   | 6-4 | 13-21 |
| Golden State  | 23 | 29 | .442 | 15.5 | 6-4 | 14-20 |
| L.A. Clippers | 22 | 30 | .423 | 16.5 | 4-6 | II-20 |
| Phoenix       | 18 | 38 | .321 | 22.5 | 1-9 | II-22 |

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## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

| SOUTHEAST  | W  | L  | T  | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|------------|----|----|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| Tampa Bay  | 31 | 17 | 7  | 3  | 72   | 164 | 130 |
| Florida    | 20 | 25 | 12 | 3  | 55   | 133 | 159 |
| Atlanta    | 23 | 30 | 6  | 2  | 54   | 163 | 189 |
| Carolina   | 18 | 27 | II | 2  | 49   | 112 | 146 |
| Washington | 18 | 32 | 7  | 2  | 45   | 139 | 182 |

| ATLANTIC       | W  | L  | T  | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| Philadelphia   | 31 | 14 | II | 5  | 78   | 174 | 137 |
| New Jersey     | 30 | 16 | II | I  | 72   | 136 | 114 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 28 | 21 | 8  | 2  | 66   | 168 | 146 |
| N.Y. Rangers   | 21 | 27 | 7  | 4  | 53   | 150 | 170 |
| Pittsburgh     | II | 40 | 5  | 4  | 31   | 122 | 233 |

| NORTHEAST | W  | L  | T  | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| Ottawa    | 32 | 15 | 8  | 4  | 76   | 196 | 127 |
| Toronto   | 32 | 16 | 9  | 3  | 76   | 174 | 151 |
| Boston    | 29 | 14 | II | 6  | 75   | 156 | 138 |
| Montreal  | 28 | 24 | 6  | 2  | 64   | 146 | 139 |
| Buffalo   | 27 | 26 | 6  | I  | 61   | 156 | 152 |

| WESTERN CONFERENCE | W  | L  | T | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|--------------------|----|----|---|----|------|-----|-----|
| CENTRAL            | W  | L  | T | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
| Detroit            | 34 | 16 | 8 | 2  | 78   | 194 | 141 |
| Nashville          | 28 | 22 | 7 | 2  | 65   | 148 | 158 |
| St. Louis          | 28 | 22 | 7 | I  | 64   | 137 | 145 |
| Columbus           | 17 | 30 | 8 | 4  | 46   | 122 | 166 |
| Chicago            | 16 | 30 | 7 | 5  | 44   | 132 | 170 |

| NORTHWEST | W  | L  | T  | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| Colorado  | 32 | 13 | 10 | 4  | 78   | 178 | 132 |
| Vancouver | 32 | 18 | 7  | 3  | 74   | 173 | 136 |
| Calgary   | 30 | 20 | 5  | 3  | 68   | 144 | 129 |
| Edmonton  | 24 | 26 | 9  | I  | 58   | 154 | 153 |
| Minnesota | 20 | 22 | 16 | 2  | 58   | 132 | 134 |

| PACIFIC     | W  | L  | T  | OL | PTS. | GF  | GA  |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| San Jose    | 28 | 16 | II | 5  | 72   | 151 | 127 |
| Dallas      | 28 | 22 | 10 | 0  | 66   | 129 | 135 |
| Los Angeles | 22 | 17 | 14 | 7  | 65   | 159 | 159 |
| Anaheim     | 21 | 24 | 8  | 7  | 57   | 133 | 156 |
| Phoenix     | 19 | 23 | 14 | 3  | 55   | 148 | 169 |

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# Entertainment

# Big Man, Small Town

**'Mooseport'** boasts a sterling cast, a great premise and no laughs

**FILM** | "Welcome to Mooseport" is the Howard Dean of Hollywood, holding all the cards to succeed, then stumbling at show time.

It sounds like a splendid comedy ticket: Gene Hackman as an enormously popular president who leaves office, retires to his summer home in a sleepy Maine town and blunders into a mayoral race against a local plumber (Ray Romano).

Yet "Welcome to Mooseport" withers and dies. Director Donald Petrie's pacing is sluggish and the script is awkwardly constructed and plain not funny.

Hackman plays President Monroe "Eagle" Cole, who relocates to his vacation home in Mooseport, where he plans to write his memoirs and sift through lucrative book, speaking and corporate board offers.

Into Monroe's life comes hardware store owner Handy Harrison (Romano), hired to fix the ex-pres-



**BADFINGER:** Hackman's rock crushes Romano's scissors during a little-known rite of the Maine electoral process.

ident's toilet. Handy's a sweetheart of a man whose chief failing is he cannot commit to longtime girlfriend Sally (Marua Tierney), a veterinarian.

The movie clunkily orchestrates scenarios that turn Monroe and Handy into fierce rivals: Monroe inexplicably agreeing to city elders' request that he run for mayor;

Handy filing for the mayor's race (also inexplicably); Handy's determination to stay in the campaign after Monroe asks Sally on a date.

The gags and jokes fall flat, and "Mooseport" lumbers along at far too leisurely a pace (a golf match between the two candidates drags on to interminable lengths).

Like candidates who keep mouthing winner's talk even as they plummet in the polls, the actors do their best with the weak material. Their energy and enthusiasm make you want to like the film.

Ultimately, the movie is a cinematic campaign that deserves a low turnout from box-office voters. DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

KERRY HAYES/AP



Grandmaster Flash appears at a Dream Mardi Gras bash with a Brazilian theme.

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**I saw on television that there was going to be a sneak preview of the movie "Starsky and Hutch" this Saturday. Do you have details?**

Yes, there will be previews on Saturday night. Find the list of showtimes on our Web site, and in case you can't make any of these, the movie opens March 5.

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# Ugly Americans

**FILM** | "Eurotrip" has no right to be anything but Eurotrash. How surprising, then, that this formless, shapeless bit of drivel actually manages a few fresh laughs.

For the near-collegiate gross-out crowd, "Eurotrip" is the pick of the year so far. The sight gags, though coarse, are a cut above the body-fluid jokes that litter most teen flicks, making for one of the more inoffensive offerings in the offensive teen subgenre.

The story centers on Scotty

(Scott Mechlowicz), who rebuffs a cyberpass from his German e-mail pen pal, Mieke, thinking it's a homosexual advance. Too late, Scotty learns that Mieke (German pop singer Jessica Boehrs) is actually the babe of his dreams. He sets out on a mission to Berlin to find her, his underachieving buddy Cooper (Jacob Pitts) tagging along.

They also enlist twins Jenny (Michelle Trachtenberg) and Jamie (Travis Webster), who interrupt their carefully plotted trip to



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Europe to join Scotty's quest.

Madcap mayhem erupts at every turn, most of it as creative as a paint-by-numbers Mona Lisa replica. But there are a handful of crassly clever moments.

Stick around for the closing credits, which offer some of the movie's funniest moments in outtakes, including a few snippets of drollery by Joanna Lumley as a hostel clerk. DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

**TWO THUMBS UP? Or 10 toes? Get the verdict on the latest film releases in today's Washington Post.**

**Secrets and Lies:** Despite being fiction, this Kafkaesque drama set in Afghanistan feels painfully real. Michael O'Sullivan reviews "Osama." | Weekend

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**Rocky for Her:** Meg Ryan is a spunky nobody who becomes boxing's first female manager in a woefully predictable sports fairy tale. Michael O'Sullivan reviews "Against the Ropes." | Weekend



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Meg Ryan appears at a Dream Mardi Gras bash with a Brazilian theme.

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Eddie Cahill co-stars in "Miracle."

**50 FIRST DATES** (PG-13, 96 minutes) Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore star in a partly charming, partly crass romantic comedy about a reformed womanizer courting a brain-damaged woman who can't remember her suitor from one day to the next. Sure, there's some gross-out humor, but the film is more sweet than sour. Call it a chick flick for guys. (MO)

**BARBERSHOP 2: BACK IN BUSINESS** (PG-13, 113 minutes) It won't give "The Godfather: Part II" a run for its money as the best sequel ever made. But it's a warm, often funny reunion of the sassiest, chattiest characters ever to buzz a brother's head. You'll like this one more than you'd expect. (DT)

**THE BIG BOUNCE** (PG-13, 88 minutes) Owen Wilson, with his peculiar charisma, is the only thing remotely worth watching in this labored knockoff of the Elmore Leonard novel. It's an insipid potboiler overshadowed by its beautiful Hawaiian scenery. (DT)

**CATCH THAT KID** (PG, 91 minutes) Has three very appealing young lead actors and a less than idealized portrait of childhood. But soon enough the promised energy, humor and action give way to a lethargic and largely laugh-free procedural. (AH)

**CITY OF GOD** (R, 130 minutes) Brazilian director Fernando Meirelles, co-director Katia Lund and screenwriter Braulio Mantovani spent months casting, training and rehearsing their mostly slum-dwelling amateur actors to make an extraordinary film about Cidade de Deus, where drug-dealing teenagers kill one another with mesmerizing abandon. (MO)

**THE COMPANY** (PG-13, 112 minutes) Rich with beauty, sensuality, sharp humor and finely etched moments of awkwardness and sting. Condense the routine dramas

in a dancer's life, as done here, and you're a long way toward a compelling story. But the film's chief flaw is that there's no resolution at the end. In fact, the ending is just plain corny and trails off in a cinematic ellipsis. (SK)

**THE DREAMERS** (NC-17, 115 minutes)

There's so much frank sex and frontal nudity in Bernardo Bertolucci's lastest — tale of friendship and more between an American student (Michael Pitt) and very close French twins — that some viewers might not notice that it's also a movie about ideas. Themes involving the conflict between idealism and reality and the power of art to feed our souls percolate through



Pitt

the steam and give us something to think about as well as look at. (MO)

**MIRACLE** (PG, 135 minutes) Kurt Russell has aged into a perfectly credible character actor — ideally suited to play the legendary coach who shepherded the U.S. ice hockey team to a gold medal in the 1980 Winter Olympics. And he's surrounded by terrific performances and dizzying action that give the film energy and crowd-pleasing appeal. (AH)

**MONSTER** (R, 111 minutes) In less than two hours, Charlize Theron changes from second-tier actress to a formidable can-

didate to hoist that golden trophy above her head. As Aileen Wuornos, the drifter-prostitute executed in Florida for the murders of six men, her performance is that darn good and that darn scary. (DT)

**THE PERFECT SCORE** (PG-13, 93 minutes)

This tortured teen heist flick, which suggests a bizarre mismatch of "The Breakfast Club" and "Mission: Impossible," wants to have a little bit of everything: sleazy teenage humor, serious character encounters, romance, a few rounds of suspense and a lot of heavy thoughts about the shortcomings of the Educational Testing Service. (DT)

**TOUCHING THE VOID** (unrated, 106 minutes)

The knowledge that this tale of two climbers' near-death experience really happened imbues the film with shivery dread. But since we know both men returned alive, we can almost enjoy (if wincing and recoiling can be described this way) learning how close they came to the abyss. (DT)

**THE TRIPLETS OF BELLEVILLE** (PG-13, 80 minutes)

The spirits of James Thurber, Tex Avery and Jacques Tati hover benevolently around Sylvain Chomet's animated feature about a Tour de France bike champ gone missing, and his aunt Sylvie and the dog Bruno, who search for him. It's too fanciful to be called a deeply serious movie but too suffused with gentle melancholy to be called a cartoon. (AH)

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# Entertainment

# A Geek's Dream Come True

**PROJECTS** | Kevin Smith is creating new buzz around "The Green Hornet."

The filmmaker behind "Chasing Amy," "Dogma" and the upcoming "Jersey Girl" will write and direct a new film about the masked crime-fighter and his martial-arts sidekick, Kato, Miramax Films announced.

"Long-time comics geek gets to make comic book movie?" Smith

said, speculating about a possible newspaper headline. "This is a dream come true."

"The Green Hornet" chronicled the adventures of billionaire vigilante Britt Reid as he rode around catching bad guys in a sci-fi car. It was created by Fran Striker and George Trendle, who also worked together to create "The Lone Ranger."

The story started out as a radio

serial that launched in 1936 and later became a popular comic book. But it's probably best remembered as a 1966 TV series with Van Williams as the Hornet and Bruce Lee as Kato.

Smith, who plays the mum, comic-book loving Silent Bob in many of his movies, is a real-life comic lover who sold most of his collection to help finance the \$27,000



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budget of his 1994 black-and-white comedy "Clerks."

In addition to his film work, Smith has written for the Marvel Comics book "Daredevil" and the DC Comics character "Green Arrow." He also owns a comics store in Red Bank, N.J.

Smith promised his "Green Hornet" adaptation will be an "exciting, chop-socky-filled action flick, but it's gonna have a compelling story, believable characters, and great dialogue to boot! Let's roll, Kato!" (AP)

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# Television

## ON TV THIS WEEKEND

### FROM BIG SCREEN TO SMALL

With the Academy Awards ceremony a little more than a week away, some of the nominees are showing up in the strangest places.

Alec Baldwin, nominated for best supporting actor for his role as a sleazy casino boss in "The Cooler," lends his voice to the 30-minute cartoon misadventure **JOHNNY BRAVO GOES HOLLYWOOD** (Fri., 8 p.m., Cartoon Network). Best-actor nominee Bill Murray (for playing a restless American actor in Japan in "Lost in Translation") appears on **DWEEZIL AND LISA** (Fri., 10 p.m., Food) when host Dweezil Zappa competes in Murray's annual charity golf tournament.



Johnny Bravo

### OPPOSABLE THUMBS VS. CLAWS

**MAN VS. BEAST 2** (Fri., 9 p.m., Fox) Can a man hang in there with an orangutan? Can a championship jumper keep up with a Labrador retriever? Could even the best tree-climbing human out-shimmy a chimp? And would you bet on a human relay team to outrace a camel? The real question is, who is going to waste their time finding out?

### GOOD NIGHT, LADIES

**SEX AND THE CITY** (Sun., 9 p.m. HBO) airs its final episode tonight:

Carrie's quartet is leaving the air.

Am I wrong to admit  
that I just don't care?

Samantha's promiscuity  
was vulgar and chronic.  
But so was Carrie's lust  
for Manolo Blahniks.

I know the series  
had the chic world smitten.

But did anyone notice  
that it was terribly written?



Carrie is so very ... well-dressed, for once. Maybe Paris is rubbing off on her.

I sure hope Samantha  
beats her disease.

But to me she'll always suffer  
from terminal sleaze.

### THE PASSION OF THE PASSION

Sitting in a megaplex in 1984, who would have predicted that the star of "The Terminator" would someday become the governor of California? Or that the Australian hunk behind three "Mad Max" pictures would appoint himself Hollywood's messenger of God? It makes me wonder about what Sylvester Stallone has up his sleeve.

Mel Gibson and the controversy surrounding his biblical epic, "The Passion," continue to make headlines. **PEOPLE IN THE NEWS** (Sun., 7 p.m., CNN) profiles the actor-director, and then explores the subject matter of his film in the documentary special **THE MYSTERY OF JESUS** (Sun., 8 p.m., NN), narrated by Liam Neeson. The promotional film **THE MAKING OF THE PASSION** (Sun., 9 p.m., PAX) goes behind

the scenes during the making of the film, shot entirely in ancient languages.

### HE'S NOT A NATURAL GOLD

**BIOGRAPHY** (Sun., 8 p.m., A&E) profiles "Oscar" and provides a clip-rich retrospective of Academy Award highlights since "Wings" won Best Picture in 1928.

### WORD, MY BROTHER

**TV'S ILEST MINORITY MOMENTS** (Sun., 10 p.m., VH1) takes a sardonic look at the racial clichés, programming patterns and casting stereotypes that have afflicted TV shows since "The Mod Squad."



Lancaster

### CULT CHOICE

**AIRPORT** (Sat., 8 p.m., TCM) Burt Lancaster and Dean Martin headline an all-star cast in the 1970 drama that launched the "disaster" genre and earned an Oscar for co-star Helen Hayes. **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

|                       | 6:00 PM                       | 6:30  | 7:00  | 7:30   | 8:00  | 8:30   | 9:00                       | 9:30                       | 10:00                      | 10:30        | 11:00           | 11:30        |
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| <b>LOCAL CHANNELS</b> |                               |   |   |  |   |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| WRC (4)               | News (6)                      | NBC News  | Hollywood   | Dateline NBC (N) □ (6)   | Dateline NBC (N) □ (6)  | Dateline NBC (N) □ (6)                             | Third Watch (N) □ (6)      | News (6)                   | Airline (6)                | Airline (6)  | Third Watch (6) | Tonight Show |
| WTG (5)               | Simpsons                      | Simpsons  | Friends (6)   | Seinfeld (6)   | Celeb. Spell.   | Man vs. Beast 2 (N) □ (6)                          | News                       | Simpsons                   | Drew Carey                 |              |                 |              |
| WJLA (7)              | News (6)                      | ABC News  | Fortune   | Jeopardy! (N)  | Lopez   | Married  | Hope & Faith               | Life-Bonnie                | 20/20 (6)                  | News (6)     | Nightline (6)   |              |
| WUSA (9)              | News (6)                      | CBS News  | USA Tonight   | Ent. Tonight   | Joan of Arcadia (N) □ (6)                                       | JAG "Persian Gulf" (N) □                           | Without a Trace (6)        | News (6)                   | Late Show                  |              |                 |              |
| WDCA (20)             | Moesta (6)                    | The Hughleys  | '70s Show   | '70s Show  | ★½ "Chill Factor" (1999, Action) Cuba Gooding Jr. (6)           | Seinfeld (6)                                       | Raymond                    | Dharma-Greg                | Dharma-Greg                |              |                 |              |
| WMPT (22)             | NewsHour With Jim Lehrer      | Business Rpt.                                       | State Circle  | Wash. Week   | Wall-Fortune  | Now With Bill Moyers (N) □                         | Frank Sinatra: His Music   | Elvis Forever (6)          |                            |              |                 |              |
| WETA (26)             | World News                    | Business Rpt.                                       | NewsHour With Jim Lehrer  | Wash. Week   | Wall-Fortune  | Now With Bill Moyers (N) □                         | Masterpiece Theatre        | Charlie Rose (N) □ (6)     |                            |              |                 |              |
| WHUT (32)             | White House                   | Uncommon  | World News  | MoneyWise  | Evening Exchange  | Rainin' in My Heart                                | World News                 | Tavis Smiley               | Charlie Rose (N) □ (6)     |              |                 |              |
| WBDC (50)             | The Parkers                   | Steve Harvey  | The Parkers   | Steve Harvey   | Reba (N) (6)  | What I Like  | Grounded for Life (N) (6)  | Will & Grace               | Just Shoot                 | Will & Grace | Blind Date (N)  |              |
| <b>A&amp;E</b>        | City Confidential (6)         | American Justice                                    | ★ ★ ★ ½ "The Usual Suspects" (1995) Stephen Baldwin.                                |  |   |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| Animal                | The Crocodile Hunter (6)      | Animals   | Animals   | Planet's Funniest Animals  | Planet's Funniest Animals                                       | Animal Precinct                                    |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| BET                   | 106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live | I'm Living  | ★ ★ "Prison Song" (2001, Drama) Mary J. Blige, Q-Tip.                               |  |   | Comicview  | Nightly News               | Music                      |                            |              |                 |              |
| Bravo                 | Celebrity Poker Showdown      | Inside the Actors Studio                            | Queer Eye for Straight Guy  | Queer Eye for Straight Guy   | Queer Eye for Straight Guy                                      | Queer Eye for Straight Guy                         | Queer Eye for Straight Guy | Queer Eye for Straight Guy |                            |              |                 |              |
| Comedy                | Late Night (6)                | Daily Show  | Mad TV (N) □ (6)  | Presents   | Presents  | Premium  | Presents                   | Presents                   | Out on the Edge (6)        |              |                 |              |
| Court                 | Profiler "Shadow of Angels"   | Cops (6)  | Cops (6)  | Forensic   | I, Detective  | Forensic   | Masterminds                | The System "Cliff Hanger"  | NYPD Blue "Aging Bull" (6) |              |                 |              |
| Discovery             | Monster Garage                | Monster House                                       | Great Biker Build-Off 3   | American Chopper   | American Chopper  | American Chopper                                   | Great Biker Build-Off 3    |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| DISCH                 | Rescue 911                    | Paramedics (6)                                      | Super Surgery (N)   | Impact: Stories of Survival  | Houston Medical (6)   | Super Surgery                                      |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| Disney                | Even Stevens                  | Sister, Sister                                      | That's-Raven  | Lizzie   | ★ ★ ½ "Gotta Kick It Up" (2002) (6)                             | Kim Possible                                       | Barbarian                  | That's-Raven               | Kim Possible               | Proud Family |                 |              |
| E!                    | Star Dates                    | Star Dates  | E! News (N)   | Love Chain   | Mark Wahlberg: Story  | Celebrities Uncensored                             | Good to Be                 | Love Chain                 | Howard Stern               | Howard Stern |                 |              |
| FX                    | Married...                    | Married...  | Cops (6)  | Cops (6)   | ★★★★ "M*A*S*H" (1970, Comedy) Donald Sutherland, Elliott Gould. | Cops (6)   | Cops (6)                   | Todd TV                    |                            |              |                 |              |
| HGTV                  | Before Aft                    | Building  | Curb Appeal   | House  | Debbie Travis' Facelift (6)                                     | Divine Design                                      | Divine Design              | Home to Go                 | Home to Go                 | Outer Spaces | Landscapers     |              |
| Family                | Full House                    | Full House  | 7th Heaven "A Cry for Help"   | ★ "Drive Me Crazy" (1999, Comedy) Melissa Joan Hart.                 | Whose Line?   | Whose Line?  | Whose Line?                | The 700 Club (6)           |                            |              |                 |              |
| History               | Snipers (6)                   | Modern Marvels (6)                                  | Dead Men's Secrets (N)  | The Face of Evil: Reinhard Heydrich (6)                              |   |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| Lifetime              | Unsolved Mysteries (6)        | Golden Girls  | Golden Girls  | The Nanny  | The Nanny   | ★ ★ "For Love or Money" (1993) Michael J. Fox. (6) | Merge (6)                  |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| MTV                   | MTV Cribs (6)                 | Music Videos  | Direct Effect (6)   | TRL (ITV) □ (6)  | Music Videos (6)  |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| NICK                  | U-Pick (6)                    | Hey Arnold!   | Rugrats (6)   | SpongeBob  | Neutron   | Robot  | Oddparents                 | Cosby Show                 | Cosby Show                 | Roseanne (6) | Roseanne (6)    |              |
| SCIFI                 | Stargate SG-1 "Demons" (6)    | Tremors: The Series (6)                             | Tremors: The Series (6)   | Stargate SG-1 "Heroes" (N)   | Code Name: Eternity (6)   | Stargate SG-1 "Heroes"                             |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| SPIKE                 | Real TV (6)                   | Real TV (6)   | Star Trek: Next Gener.  | Star Trek: Next Gener.   | Star Trek: Next Gener.  | Star Trek: Next Gener.                             | CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn. |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| TBS                   | Home Imp.                     | Seinfeld (6)  | Friends (6)   | ★ ★ ★ "Save the Last Dance" (2001) Julia Stiles. (6)                 | ★ ½ "Girl, Interrupted" (1999) Winona Ryder. (6)                |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| TLC                   | Clean Sweep (6)               | Trading Spaces: Family                              | While You Were Out (6)  | While You Were Out (N)   | What Not to Wear at Work  | While You Were Out (6)                             |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| TNT                   | Charmed (6)                   | Law & Order "Empire" (6)                            | ★ ★ ★ "The Negotiator" (1998, Action) Samuel L. Jackson, Kevin Spacey, David Morse. |  | ★ ★ "Bad Apple" (2004)  |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| USA                   | Walker, Texas Ranger (6)      | JAG "Soul Searching" (6)                            | Law & Order   | Law & Order  | Monk (6)  | Law & Order: Criminal Intent                       |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
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| UNIV                  | Viviana                       | Noticiero   | Amar Otra Vez   | Velo de Novia  | Bajo la Misma Piel  | Casos de la Vida Real                              | Impacto                    | Noticiero                  |                            |              |                 |              |
| <b>SPORTS</b>         | ESPN                          | SportsCenter (Live) (6)                             | NBA   | NBA Basketball Minnesota Timberwolves at Detroit Pistons. (Live) (6) | NBA Basketball: 76ers at Lakers                                 |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| ESPN2                 | Table Tennis                  | Table Tennis  | Table Tennis  | Century  | Boxing (6)  | Boxing: Friday -- Marks vs. Olajide                | SportsCenter (Live) (6)    |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| CSN                   | NASCAR                        | SportsNite  | NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Washington Wizards. (Live)                         |  | Wizards Post.   | SportsNite   | Gary Williams              | Best Damn Sports Show      |                            |              |                 |              |
| <b>NEWS</b>           | CNN                           | Lou Dobbs Tonight (6)                               | Anderson Cooper 360 (6)   | Paula Zahn Now (6)   | Larry King Live (6)   | NewsNight-Aaron Brown                              | Lou Dobbs Tonight          |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| FNC                   | Special Report (Live) (6)     | Fox Report-Shepard Smith                            | The O'Reilly Factor (6)   | Hannity & Colmes (6)   | On the Record   | The O'Reilly Factor                                |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| MSNBC                 | The Abrams Report (Live)      | Hardball (Live) (6)                                 | Countdown-Olbermann   | Deborah Norville Tonight   | Scarborough Country (Live)                                      | Hardball (6)                                       |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
| <b>MOVIES</b>         | AMC                           | (5:30) ★ ★ ★ "The Undefeated" (1969) John Wayne, G' | ★ ★ "Mimic" (1997, Horror) Mira Sorvino. Premiere. 'R'                              | ★ ★ ★ "The Funhouse" (1981) Elizabeth Berridge. 'R'                  |   |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | TCM                           | ★ ★ ★ "Johnny Eager" (1942) Robert Taylor. 'NR'     | ★ ★ ½ "The Big Country" (1958, Western) Gregory Peck, Jean Simmons. 'NR'            |  |   |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | HBO                           | 1st Look  | ★ ★ "Red Sonja" (1985) Brigitte Nielsen.  | Real Time (Live) (6)   | ★ ★ "Daredevil" (2003) Ben Affleck. (6)                         | Making Dead.                                       | Sex and-City               | Real Time (6)              |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | MAX                           | Spoken  | ★ ★ ½ "Point of No Return" (1993) Bridget Fonda. □ 'R'                              | ★ ★ "Old School" (2003) Luke Wilson. 'NR'                            | ★ ★ ★ "RoboCop" (1987) Peter Weller. 'R'                        | ★ ★ ★ "Undercover Brother" (2002) 'PG-13'          | Best Sex                   |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | SHO                           | "Four Dogs Playing Poker"                           | ★ ½ "Beverly Hills Ninja" (1997) 'PG-13'  | "The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course"                             | Dead Like Me "A Cook" □   | Toy Soldiers                                       |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | TMC                           | Waterproof  | (:35) ★ ½ "Mimic 2" (2001) Alix Koromzay.   | ★ ★ "CQ" (2001) Jeremy Davies. 'R'                                   | ★ ½ "Original Sin" (2001) Antonio Banderas. □ 'R'               |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | STARZ!                        | (5:30) ★ ★ ★ ½ "Far From Heaven" (2002)             | (:20) ★ ★ "Almost Heroes" (1998) 'PG-13'  | ★ ★ "Blue Crush" (2002) Kate Bosworth. □ 'PG-13'                     | "Bringing Down the House"                                       |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |
|                       | ENCORE                        | (:15) ★ ★ ½ "Tremors" (1990) Kevin Bacon. 'PG-13'   | ★ ★ ★ "Blue Steel" (1990) Jamie Lee Curtis. □ 'R'                                   | ★ ★ ★ "Undercover Brother" (2002) 'PG-13'                            | Toy Soldiers  |  |                            |                            |                            |              |                 |              |

# Home & Shopping

LIVE ONLINE

## Home Front

The Washington Post **HOME STAFF** share their decorating and home improvement advice every other Thursday at 11 a.m. on [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://washingtonpost.com/liveonline).

**I have a vintage make-up mirror given to me by my grandmother, but it's starting to lose its finish. Any ideas where I can get it redone?**

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**The sofa I want has microfiber. What is that?**

Microfiber is essentially a fancy word for synthetic. It's not cotton, not linen, but is probably derived from petrochemicals.



### Shopping List | The Missing Pink

#### Bag Lady Dishing Out

It was only a matter of time before Kate Spade brought her classically hip handbag and accessory aesthetic to home decor. Her entry into home begins with her collection of china, crystal and flatware, which is made by Lenox and adorned with her signature stripes and dots. Spade's designs on bedding, towels and wallpaper are not far behind.

This isn't Limoges or Spode by a long shot, but there's a lot less fuss. For one thing, you can put them in the dishwasher; some are also microwave safe. Many of the patterns are named for streets and/or areas in New York: **IRVING PLACE** is a bold pattern of white, red, green, gray, yellow, orange, black and pink; **GRAMERCY PARK** features an abstract border; **LIBRARY LANE** with coral or aqua dots is a modern take on traditional china, while **RUTHERFORD** in kelly green, yellow or pink is meant for more casual dining. A five-piece setting sells for about \$90. The tabletop wares can be found at select branches of Neiman Marcus, Hecht's, Macy's and Bloomingdale's (but not at the Georgetown Kate Spade store).



#### All's Swell

Designers Cynthia Rowley and Ilene Rosenzweig are introducing a Target tabletop line that includes placemats, tablecloths, flatware, dinner plates, salad plates, cereal bowls and tumblers. The dishes from the two lines, **SWELL BONJOUR** and **RIVIERA**, shown, are made of melamine and are dishwasher safe. Dinner plates are priced at \$2.99; salad plates, \$1.99; placemats are \$3.99.

JANET BENNETT ([WASHINGTONPOST.COM](http://WASHINGTONPOST.COM))

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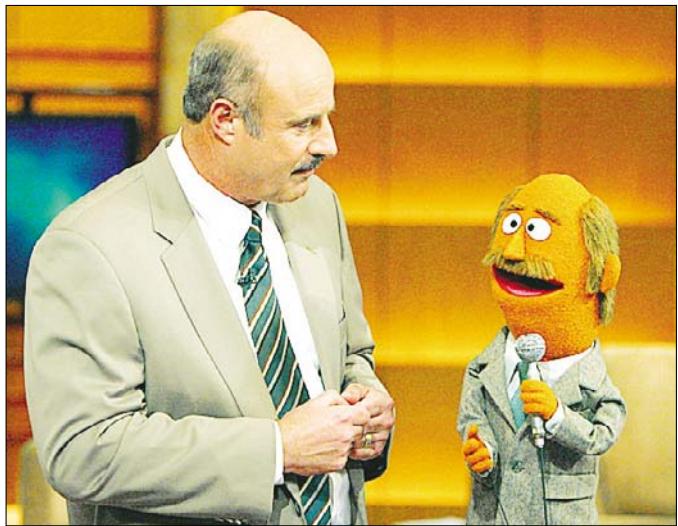
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# People



## ENCOUNTERS

### Dr. Phil Meets His Match

Television's **DR. PHIL MCGRaw** met **DR. FEEL** last week on the set of the "Dr. Phil Show" in Los Angeles. In the show airing today, the new Sesame Street Muppet will make his national debut, introduced to his namesake by Elmo, Big Bird and Zoe. The Muppet was created for a parody segment to air during the upcoming 35th season of Sesame Street. (AP)

## ANNOUNCERS

### Howard Stern Stutterer Defects to 'Tonight Show'

Jay Leno's new announcer on NBC's "The Tonight Show" will be **"STUTTERING" JOHN MELENDEZ** from Howard Stern's radio show. Melendez will start March 29, replacing Edd Hall. He is working



## MASCOTS

### Joining the Hill's Angels

Designer Marc Jacobs has a new muse: **SEN. HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON**. Jacobs has designed a



series of vaguely Andy Warhol-ish T-shirts featuring a print of the senator's smiling face. A donation of \$55 gets you a short-sleeved shirt at [www.friendsofhillary.com](http://www.friendsofhillary.com); the long-sleeved version is \$60. (AP)

## RETIREEs

### Robert Caro Not Worried

**BILL MOYERS**, whose weekly magazine "Now" on PBS has capped a



30-year career in TV journalism, is leaving after the November elections. The 69-year-old's next venture: A book about Lyndon Johnson, whom he served before and during Johnson's presidency. (AP)

## NON-ENDINGS

### 'Is It Over When It's Over?' Carrie Bradshaw Might Ask

This weekend may not be the swan song for "Sex and the City." The sitcom series' top executive, Michael Patrick King, and the show's cast is in discussions with HBO about a movie that would continue the saga of the four New York City friends, HBO spokeswoman Tobe Becker said Thursday. Becker would not comment specifically on a Variety report that HBO is trying to wrap up deals with series stars **SARAH JESSICA PARKER**, Kim Cattrall, Cynthia Nixon and Kristin Davis to bring their roles to the big screen. Edited versions of the HBO series will begin appearing on cable's TBS later this year. (AP)



About the only thing not in talks is the stripe vortex-thing on Carrie's blouse.

## STUNTS

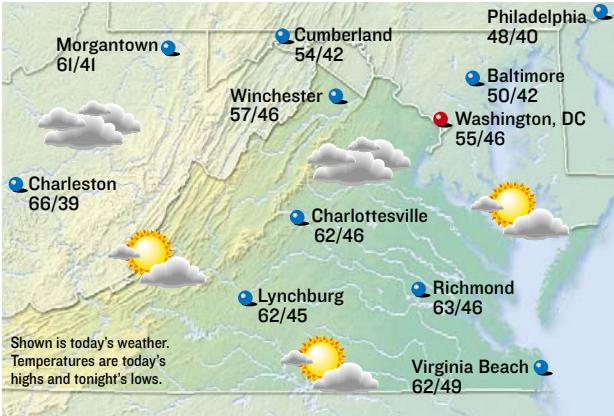
### Network Anchors Should All Be Required to Do This

For a series about first jobs on ABC's "Good Morning America," co-host **DIANE SAWYER** returned to her first job as a waitress at Cape Cod's fancy Chatham Bars Inn on Tuesday. Donning a tuxedo and black flats, she served lunch to baffled patrons, just as she did in the summer of 1968. But she "never gave us menus and we got dessert first," one customer told the Boston Herald. "She was absolutely delightful, but I told her to stick to the career that she has." (EXPRESS)

## 5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area



## Regional Weather



## Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

### Temperature

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| High .....             | 60° |
| Low .....              | 33° |
| Normal high .....      | 48° |
| Normal low .....       | 30° |
| Average humidity ..... | 36% |

### Precipitation

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| 24 hours ending 4 p.m. .... | 0.00" |
| Month to date .....         | 2.20" |
| Normal month to date .....  | 1.72" |
| Year to date .....          | 3.55" |
| Last year to date .....     | 6.20" |
| Normal year to date .....   | 4.93" |

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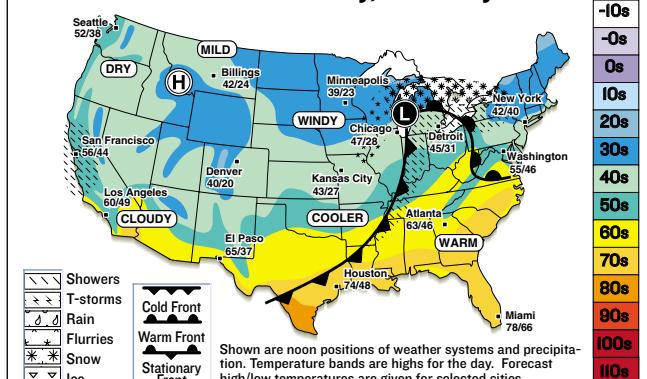
**D.C. Metro:** Today, variably cloudy, breezy, remaining mild. High 55. Wind south to southwest 7-14 mph. Tonight, chance of a shower, windy, mild. Low 46.

## Sun and Moon

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Sunrise today .....  | 6:54 a.m. |
| Sunset tonight ..... | 5:50 p.m. |
| Moonrise today ..... | 7:26 a.m. |
| Moonset today .....  | 6:16 p.m. |



## National Weather for Friday, February 20



## National Cities

| City          | Today<br>Hi/Lo/W | Sat.<br>Hi/Lo/W | City         | Today<br>Hi/Lo/W | Sat.<br>Hi/Lo/W |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Atlanta       | 63/46/pc         | 52/35/pc        | Amsterdam    | 38/34/s          | 45/38/pc        |
| Boston        | 42/32/pc         | 40/32/r         | Athens       | 56/42/r          | 45/34/pc        |
| Chicago       | 47/28/r          | 39/23/c         | Berlin       | 34/27/s          | 42/34/s         |
| Dallas        | 64/36/pc         | 57/36/s         | Buenos Aires | 75/59/pc         | 80/61/s         |
| Denver        | 40/20/pc         | 44/24/pc        | Calgary      | 42/20/pc         | 38/19/c         |
| Honolulu      | 84/71/pc         | 84/70/s         | Dublin       | 46/34/s          | 45/34/s         |
| Los Angeles   | 60/49/c          | 60/49/c         | Geneva       | 42/33/pc         | 51/41/c         |
| Miami         | 78/66/pc         | 82/64/pc        | Moscow       | 14/l/c           | 24/15/sn        |
| New York City | 42/40/pc         | 48/33/r         | Rome         | 59/48/c          | 62/48/r         |
| Orlando       | 76/58/pc         | 80/56/g         | Sydney       | 93/79/s          | 96/74/s         |
| Seattle       | 52/38/pc         | 52/40/pc        | Tokyo        | 56/43/s          | 60/51/s         |

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

# Playback

## Letters

### TO THE EDITOR

REGARDING THE ARTICLE about Verrocchio's David statue appearing at the National Gallery of Art ("Hot Child in the City," Feb. 19): It would have been nice if Glenn Dixon had kept his homoerotic views to himself and told us more about the work itself.

Where was it created? When was it created? How did it come to be on display in Washington? Anything other than filling us readers with unpleasant morning thoughts about "nipple rosettes," "plunging necklines" and fellows losing their heads over a young hunk.

I do thank Mr. Dixon for informing us (despite his frenzy) about when and where we can view this work. The article did make me smile despite its obvious undertones.

—RICK MAYHEW  
Silver Spring, Md.

I AGREE with Amanda Brownwell's guest column suggesting alternative remedies to the fare hikes proposed by Metro ("Fairer Fare Deals," Feb. 19). It's time for Metro to think outside the box. Corporate sponsorship and innovative marketing strategies are excellent ways to bring more money into the system without penalizing the riders.

—JOYCE MCLEOD  
Alexandria, Va.

### WRITE TO EXPRESS

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. Submissions may be edited for space. E-mail to [inbox@readexpress.com](mailto:inbox@readexpress.com) or mail to Express Letters, PO Box 17370, Arlington, VA 22216.

### Yesterday's Solution



### Crossword Puzzle: To All Employees | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

#### ACROSS

- 1 Fawcett's "Charlie's Angels" replacement
- 5 Bird that is no more
- 9 Took the wheel
- 14 Home of the Taj Mahal
- 15 Certain util.
- 16 DJ's output
- 17 Word with has
- 18 Float, as a fragrance
- 19 Nintendo precursor
- 20 Notice to employees, part 1
- 23 \_\_\_ culpa
- 24 "The Simpsons" convenience store clerk
- 25 Real scream
- 26 Notice to employees, part 2
- 31 Menu phrase
- 32 Middling grade
- 33 Roman holiday
- 37 Marked like a gridiron

- 40 Democratic party symbol, once
- 42 Presidential bear
- 43 "Oh wow!"
- 44 Tolkien's talking tree
- 45 Notice to employees, part 3
- 50 "Ben-Hur," for one
- 53 "Grand" ice cream maker
- 54 Archer's asset
- 55 Notice to employees, part 4
- 60 Don't just please
- 61 Brilliantly colored food fish
- 62 Jazz singer Anita
- 64 Hoopsters Archibald and Thurmond
- 65 Selfish one's
- 66 Turn a violin's pegs
- 67 Word with cocktail or wedding
- 68 Heroic chronicle
- 69 Erupt, as Etna
- 70 Forensic site
- 71 Like fine wine or cheese
- 72 Exclamation
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